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**NOVEMBER REVENUES**

NASHVILLE – State tax collections fell below budgeted estimates in November, for the fourth consecutive month of the fiscal year that began on July 1, 2009. Finance & Administration Commissioner Dave Goetz today announced that state revenue collections for November were \$708.2 million, which is 0.52% below November 2008 collections. November collections reflect consumer spending in October.

“November is the 18<sup>th</sup> consecutive month in which sales tax collections have experienced negative growth,” Goetz said. “If there’s a bright spot, it’s worth noting that the growth rate for sales tax collections in November, while still negative, fared slightly better than the month before, when it was negative 7.8 percent.”

“It’s important to remember we won’t see how after-Thanksgiving retail sales performed until this time next month, when we’ve collected revenues for November spending.”

On an accrual basis, November is the fourth month in the 2009-2010 fiscal year.

November collections were \$13.5 million less than the budgeted estimate. The general fund was under collected by \$8.1 million and the four other funds were under collected by \$5.4 million.

Sales tax collections were \$21.2 million less than the estimate for November. The November growth rate was negative 4.45%. Year-to-date the growth rate is negative 7.52%.

Franchise and excise combined collections for November were \$42.3 million, which is \$11.6 million above the budgeted estimate of \$30.7 million.

Gasoline and motor fuel collections were \$5.3 million less than the budgeted estimate of \$72.5 million.

Tobacco tax collections for the month were over collected by \$4.3, with November collections at \$27.8 million.

Inheritance and Estate taxes were under collected by \$3.7 million for the month.

All other taxes were over collected by a net of \$600,000.

Year-to date collections for four months were \$114.8 million less than the budgeted estimate. The general fund was under collected by \$96.3 million and the four other funds were under collected by \$18.5 million.

The budgeted revenue estimates for 2009-2010 are based on the State Funding Board’s consensus recommendation adopted by the first session of the 106<sup>th</sup> General Assembly in May of 2009, and are available on the state’s Web site at <http://www.tn.gov/finance/bud/budget.html>.

**REVENUE COLLECTIONS  
NOVEMBER, 2009, AND 4 MONTHS YEAR-TO-DATE**

**November Collections:**

	<b>Budgeted Accrual Estimate</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Difference</b>
General Fund	\$571,473,000	\$563,420,000	(\$8,053,000)
Highway Fund	55,034,000	51,646,000	(3,388,000)
Sinking Fund	32,194,000	32,033,000	(161,000)
City & County Fund	62,110,000	60,181,000	(1,929,000)
Earmarked Fund	891,000	893,000	2,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$721,702,000</b>	<b>\$708,173,000</b>	<b>(\$13,529,000)</b>

**Year-To-Date Collections:**

	<b>Budgeted Accrual Estimate</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Difference</b>
General Fund	\$2,561,314,000	\$2,465,048,000	(\$96,266,000)
Highway Fund	223,436,000	209,500,000	(13,936,000)
Sinking Fund	129,493,000	128,600,000	(893,000)
City & County Fund	251,217,000	247,517,000	(3,700,000)
Earmarked Fund	3,567,000	3,567,000	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3,169,027,000</b>	<b>\$3,054,232,000</b>	<b>(\$114,795,000)</b>

Table 1  
Tennessee Department of Revenue  
Comparative Statement of Collected Revenues

Class of Tax	November			
	2008	2009	Change	Percent
Franchise & Excise	\$20,509,000	\$42,335,000	\$21,826,000	106.42%
Income	892,000	301,000	(591,000)	-66.26%
Inheritance & Estate	4,856,000	5,276,000	420,000	8.65%
Gasoline	56,140,000	48,663,000	(7,477,000)	-13.32%
Petroleum Special	5,757,000	5,142,000	(615,000)	-10.68%
Tobacco	25,146,000	27,765,000	2,619,000	10.42%
Beer	1,461,000	1,239,000	(222,000)	-15.20%
Motor Vehicle Registration	15,582,000	16,182,000	600,000	3.85%
Motor Vehicle Title	662,000	752,000	90,000	13.60%
Mixed Drink	4,541,000	5,018,000	477,000	10.50%
Business	1,804,000	1,399,000	(405,000)	-22.45%
Privilege	14,898,000	15,846,000	948,000	6.36%
Gross Receipts	22,000	291,000	269,000	1,222.73%
TVA - In Lieu of Tax Payments	24,014,000	26,498,000	2,484,000	10.34%
Alcoholic Beverage	3,816,000	4,302,000	486,000	12.74%
Sales and Use	516,641,000	493,645,000	(22,996,000)	-4.45%
Motor Vehicle Fuel	14,793,000	13,404,000	(1,389,000)	-9.39%
Severance	177,000	167,000	(10,000)	-5.65%
Coin-operated Amusement	2,000	3,000	1,000	50.00%
Unauthorized Substance	139,000	(55,000)	(194,000)	-139.57%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$711,852,000</b>	<b>\$708,173,000</b>	<b>(\$3,679,000)</b>	<b>-0.52%</b>

**Table 2**  
**Tennessee Department of Revenue**  
**Comparative Statement of Collected Revenues**

Class of Tax	August - November			
	2008-2009	2009-2010	Change	Percent
Franchise & Excise	\$261,622,000	\$319,363,000	\$57,741,000	22.07%
Income	8,884,000	5,137,000	(3,747,000)	-42.18%
Inheritance & Estate	28,482,000	20,554,000	(7,928,000)	-27.84%
Gasoline	200,317,000	208,564,000	8,247,000	4.12%
Petroleum Special	20,933,000	21,281,000	348,000	1.66%
Tobacco	103,134,000	106,252,000	3,118,000	3.02%
Beer	6,396,000	5,822,000	(574,000)	-8.97%
Motor Vehicle Registration	73,185,000	72,588,000	(597,000)	-0.82%
Motor Vehicle Title	3,390,000	3,410,000	20,000	0.59%
Mixed Drink	18,310,000	18,001,000	(309,000)	-1.69%
Business	8,691,000	7,874,000	(817,000)	-9.40%
Privilege	72,255,000	64,062,000	(8,193,000)	-11.34%
Gross Receipts	18,880,000	13,569,000	(5,311,000)	-28.13%
TVA - In Lieu of Tax Payments	90,983,000	105,924,000	14,941,000	16.42%
Alcoholic Beverage	14,235,000	14,422,000	187,000	1.31%
Sales and Use	2,182,289,000	2,018,158,000	(164,131,000)	-7.52%
Motor Vehicle Fuel	55,328,000	49,619,000	(5,709,000)	-10.32%
Severance	991,000	808,000	(183,000)	-18.47%
Coin-operated Amusement	65,000	39,000	(26,000)	-40.00%
Unauthorized Substance	518,000	(1,215,000)	(1,733,000)	-334.56%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3,168,888,000</b>	<b>\$3,054,232,000</b>	<b>(\$114,656,000)</b>	<b>-3.62%</b>

**Table 3**  
**August - November Revenue Overcollections/(Undercollections)**  
**Budgeted Estimate**

	<b>General Fund</b>	<b>Other Funds</b>	<b>Total</b>
Sales Tax	\$ (109,300,000)	\$ (12,700,000)	\$ (122,000,000)
Income Tax	(700,000)	(300,000)	(1,000,000)
Inheritance Tax	(13,700,000)	0	(13,700,000)
Privilege Tax	(11,100,000)	0	(11,100,000)
Business Tax	2,900,000	0	2,900,000
TVA	4,500,000	3,500,000	8,000,000
Gross Receipts	(1,500,000)	0	(1,500,000)
Gasoline & Motor Fuel Taxes	(100,000)	(5,500,000)	(5,600,000)
Motor Vehicle Registration	(200,000)	(2,200,000)	(2,400,000)
Other Taxes	8,700,000	(1,300,000)	7,400,000
Tobacco	9,500,000	0	9,500,000
Beer	100,000	100,000	200,000
Motor Vehicle Title	(200,000)	(100,000)	(300,000)
Mixed Drink	(300,000)	(200,000)	(500,000)
Alcoholic Beverage	(100,000)	0	(100,000)
Severance	100,000	100,000	200,000
Coin Operated Amusement	0	0	0
Unauthorized Substance	(400,000)	(1,200,000)	(1,600,000)
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>\$ (120,500,000)</b>	<b>\$ (18,500,000)</b>	<b>\$ (139,000,000)</b>
F & E Taxes	24,200,000	0	24,200,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ (96,300,000)</b>	<b>\$ (18,500,000)</b>	<b>\$ (114,800,000)</b>